

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2756

By Mr. Keenan of Southwick, petition of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts and others relative to the medical insurance reimbursement partnership program. Health Care Financing.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

### PETITION OF:

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

### AN ACT IMPROVING THE INSURANCE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Subsection (1) of section 9C of chapter 118E of  
2 the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is  
3 hereby amended by striking out the phrase “200 percent of the  
4 federal poverty level” as it appears in lines 20, 27 and 35 and  
5 inserting in place thereof the following:— 300 percent of the fed-  
6 eral poverty level.

1     SECTION 2. Section 9C of said chapter 118E of the General  
2 Laws, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking para-  
3 graph (4) and replacing it with the following new paragraph:—  
4     (4) The amount of payments for each employer under para-  
5 graph (C) of subsection (2) shall be as follows: (i) \$600 for each  
6 eligible employee for whom the eligible employer pays 50 percent  
7 or more of the cost of qualified medical insurance; (ii) \$1,200 for  
8 each eligible employee for whom the eligible employer pays 50  
9 percent or more of the cost of qualified two-person family medical  
10 insurance, and (iii) \$1,500 for each eligible employee for whom  
11 the eligible employer pays 50 percent or more of the cost of quali-  
12 fied family medical insurance, provided that the division may use  
13 reasonable data sources in determining the number of eligible  
14 employees of an eligible employer qualifying for such payments  
15 under clauses (i), (ii), and (iii).

1     SECTION 3. Said section 9C of said chapter 118E of the  
2 General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by  
3 striking paragraph (5) and replacing it with the following new  
4 paragraph:—  
5     (5) The amount of payments for each self-employed single indi-  
6 vidual or each self-employed husband and wife under para-  
7 graph (B) of subsection (2) may include the following amounts:  
8 (i) \$600 for an eligible self-employed single individual if the indi-  
9 vidual purchases qualified medical insurance; (ii) \$1,200 for an  
10 eligible self-employed single individual with a dependent child or  
11 for an eligible self-employed husband and wife filing a joint tax  
12 return and who have no dependent children, if the individual or  
13 husband and wife purchase qualified two-person family medical  
14 insurance, or (iii) \$1,500 for an eligible self-employed individual  
15 with two or more dependent children, or an eligible self-employed  
16 husband and wife filing a joint tax return and who have dependent  
17 children, if the individual or husband and wife purchase qualified  
18 family medical insurance, provided that the payment shall not  
19 exceed the amount of the net premium cost to said self-employed  
20 persons of said insurance, and shall be in conformity with the  
21 regulations of the division.